



March 2015 Edition

Volunteer Vision

Monthly Newsletter of the City of Eau Claire Volunteers

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Coordinator's Corner

March brings us one month closer to warmer weather for our area. And it also means we are getting closer to our first major community service event for the City of Eau Claire, the Amazing Eau Claire Clean-Up.

The Amazing Eau Claire Clean-Up is scheduled for Saturday, April 25 this year. This event sends volunteers to locations throughout the city including community parks, neighborhood playgrounds, picnic areas, and recreational trails, where they clean the areas, plant trees and prepare flowerbeds for spring planting. Following the clean-up, volunteers are invited to Boyd Park for snacks and prizes. The Amazing Eau Claire Clean-up is a great opportunity for people to work together and make a difference in our community. Please think about joining us.

If you are unable to make it the day of the Amazing Eau Claire Clean-Up but want to give your time to help clean up our city, consider joining us on June 20th for Hands On Eau Claire. Contact me and I can get you more details.

As always, thank you for giving of your time and talents to the City of Eau Claire.

Teri-Gene



DATE CHANGE FOR HANDS ON EAU CLAIRE

We have changed the date for our boulevard cleanup event. This year, the event will be held on Saturday, June 20th from 9am-11am with a volunteer celebration luncheon afterwards until Noon. This is Father's Day weekend, so spend some time with Dad making a difference in your community.

Operation Blanket Eau Claire is continuing to grow. We have had more volunteers join this community service event in February. We have our list of non-profit agencies who will be the recipients of the blankets on Saturday October 24 as part of Make A Difference Day Eau Claire.

Our recipient agencies are:

American Red Cross of Chippewa Valley
Bolton Refuge House
Hope Gospel Mission-Ruth House and Men's Shelter
Salvation Army of Chippewa Valley
Catholic Charities-St. Lawrence Community Services
Western Dairyland Community Action Agency

Let me know if you would like to join in, it's not too late!

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Volunteer Coaches Needed for Youth Soccer and T-Ball

Volunteer coaches are the backbone of youth sports in America. The Benefits of Volunteer Coaching are endless. One of the most valued perks of being a volunteer coach is experiencing the opportunity to transform a child's life—and your own. Being a part of the growth and development of children through a sport is a very rewarding experience that we hope you will consider being a part of.

Parents, please don't be afraid to volunteer as a coach. Without the thousands of parents signing up to coach youth sports every season, the youth sports world would come to a screeching halt! With that said, we realize some people feel they are not qualified to coach specific sports, but be assured, that there is a place for you in our program! Our training program is a simple process and our continued mentoring will help your knowledge of the sport grow throughout the season.

For more information, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator via email at Teri-Gene.Conlin@eauclairewi.gov or call 715-839-5032.

Downtown Eau Claire Inc. (DECI) is looking for volunteers to help in keeping downtown Eau Claire beautiful. There are specific projects for which they need volunteers. The list of projects is below.

Volunteers needed: 1-2 people per project

Timeframe: Summer through fall

Projects:

1. Flower beds (3 areas downtown) weeding, trimming as necessary
2. S. Barstow St. planters (shrubs and perennials)-maintain planters to include weeding and pruning
3. New trees S. Barstow-DECI will provide Preen for weeding

Please contact me if you are interested in any of these projects for DECI. Email me at Teri-Gene.Conlin@eauclairewi.gov or call 715-839-5032.



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Would you like to volunteer, but don't know where to get started? Consider coming to the Volunteer Expo scheduled for Wednesday, April 22, 10am-3pm, at the Hobbs Ice Arena.

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915 Menomonie St.
Eau Claire

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The BEST way to learn about volunteer opportunities available in the Chippewa Valley to do good, have fun, and engage in the community!

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